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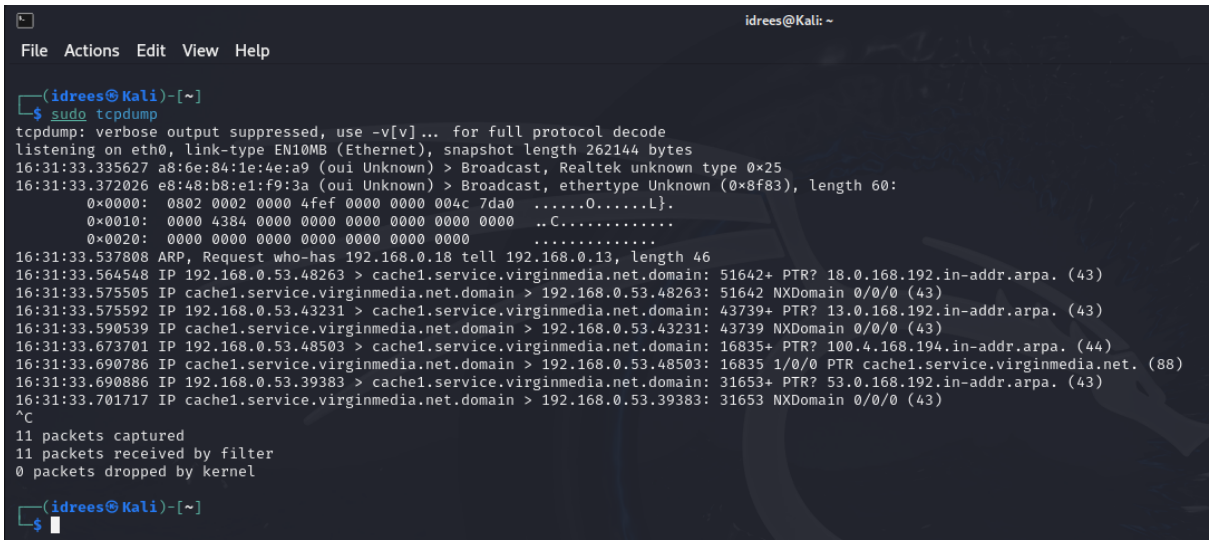
Scenario:

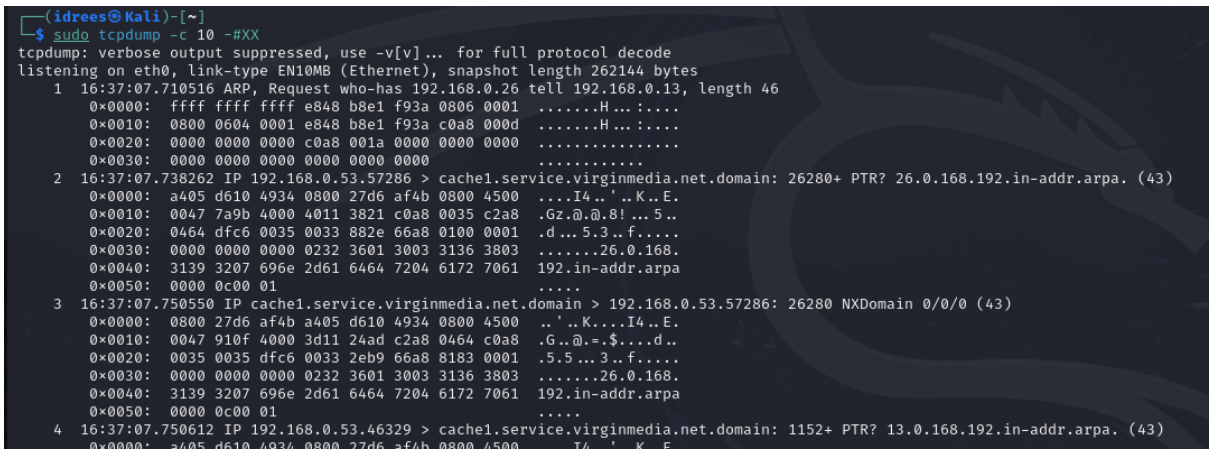
- Intermediate-level Network Administrator for an accounting firm
- Company suspects that some of its workstations are hacked.
- The job is to develop script that will run in the background and sample network traffic that meet certain criteria and save them for cyber forensic analysis.

Task 1: Introduction and Getting Started

1. Run tcpdump on the Linux terminal.



NOTE: tcpdump requires sudo permissions to be run. We can use the '-c' flag to limit the number of packets captured. Adding a '-#' flag will number the packets. Appending the 'A' will show the packets in ASCII and using 'XX' will show the data packets in hexadecimal and ASCII side by side. 'tttt' Will show the time, year month and day for each packet. 'D' flag will present all the interfaces that are installed in our system.



Task 2: Start Building the Logging Tool Script

1. Return a list of all the interfaces installed in the system.

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┌──(idrees㉿Kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo tcpdump -D
1.eth0 [Up, Running, Connected]
2.any (Pseudo-device that captures on all interfaces) [Up, Running]
3.lo [Up, Running, Loopback]
4.bluetooth-monitor (Bluetooth Linux Monitor) [Wireless]
5.nflog (Linux netfilter log (NFLOG) interface) [none]
6.nfqueue (Linux netfilter queue (NFQUEUE) interface) [none]
7.dbus-system (D-Bus system bus) [none]
8.dbus-session (D-Bus session bus) [none]
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NOTE: We can specify what interface we want to capture packets from. Below I have pinged the local host and used tcpdump to capture all the pings. We can also specify the ports we want to capture from. We can also specify what website we want to capture traffic from using 'src', 'dst' or 'host' for both. Conditional filters can also be used (and, or).

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┌──(idrees㉿Kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo tcpdump -c 10 -i lo
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v[v]... for full protocol decode
listening on lo, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), snapshot length 262144 bytes
16:48:50.082953 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo request, id 10122, seq 1, length 64
16:48:50.082959 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo reply, id 10122, seq 1, length 64
16:48:51.110163 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo request, id 10122, seq 2, length 64
16:48:51.110169 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo reply, id 10122, seq 2, length 64
16:48:52.133537 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo request, id 10122, seq 3, length 64
16:48:52.133544 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo reply, id 10122, seq 3, length 64
16:48:53.154993 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo request, id 10122, seq 4, length 64
16:48:53.154999 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo reply, id 10122, seq 4, length 64
16:48:54.357962 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo request, id 10122, seq 5, length 64
16:48:54.357968 IP6 localhost > localhost: ICMP6, echo reply, id 10122, seq 5, length 64
10 packets captured
20 packets received by filter
0 packets dropped by kernel

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┌──(idrees㉿Kali)-[~]
└─$ ping localhost
PING localhost (::1) 56 data bytes
64 bytes from localhost (::1): icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.022 ms
64 bytes from localhost (::1): icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.022 ms
64 bytes from localhost (::1): icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.023 ms
64 bytes from localhost (::1): icmp_seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.026 ms
64 bytes from localhost (::1): icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.023 ms
64 bytes from localhost (::1): icmp_seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.019 ms
64 bytes from localhost (::1): icmp_seq=7 ttl=64 time=0.024 ms
^C
── localhost ping statistics ──
7 packets transmitted, 7 received, 0% packet loss, time 6334ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.019/0.022/0.026/0.002 ms

┌──(idrees㉿Kali)-[~]
└─$
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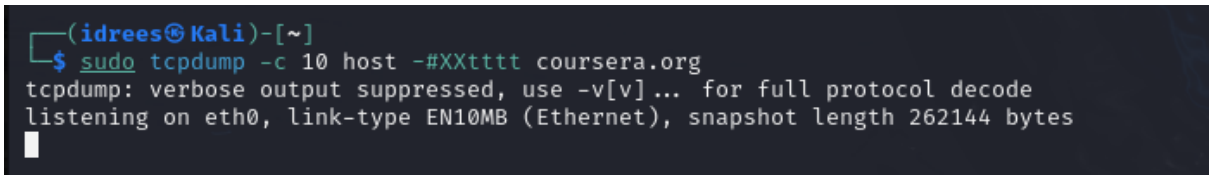
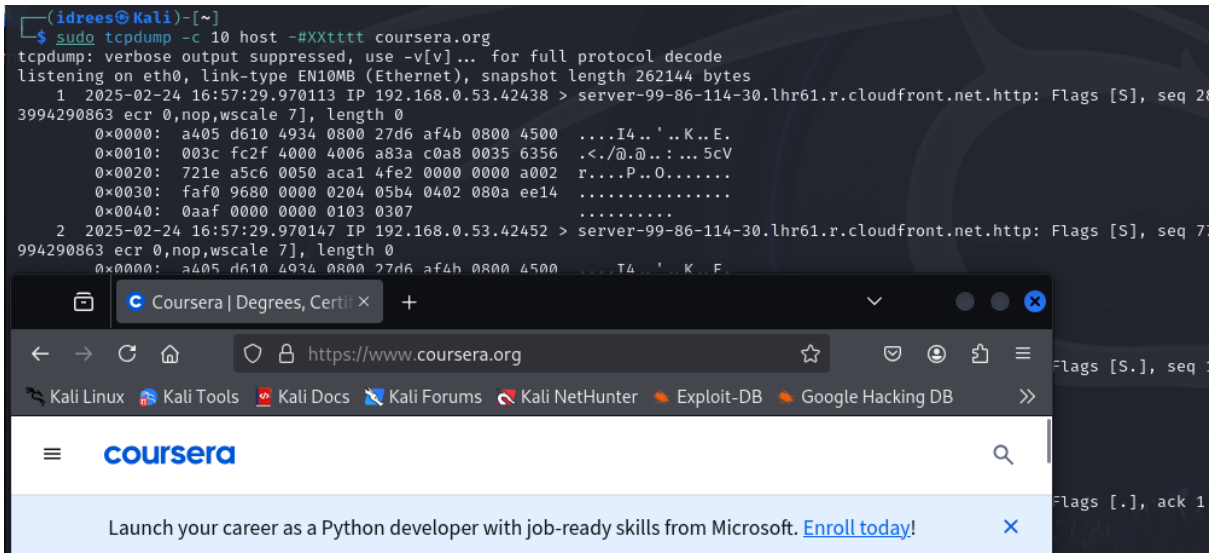
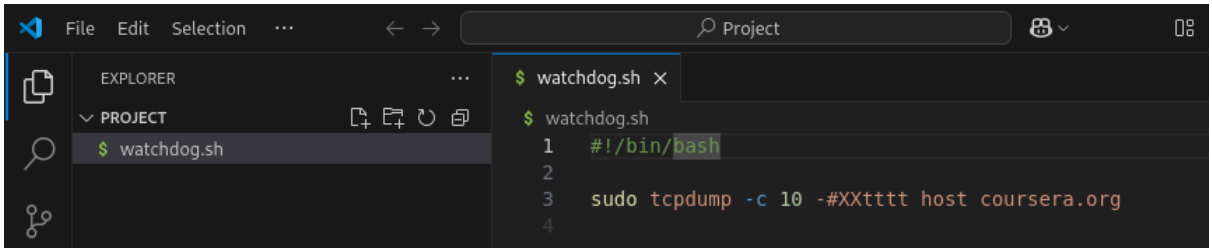
2. Capture packets from coursera.org using tcpdump

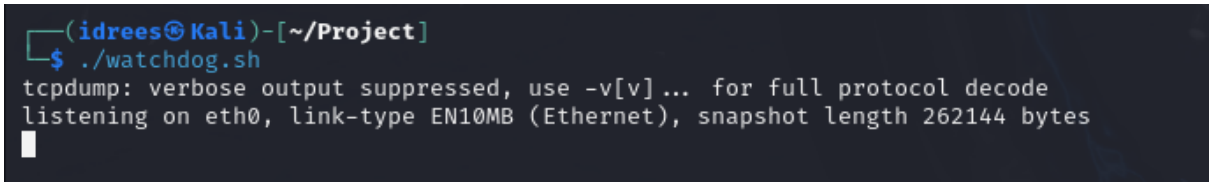




NOTE: 'host coursera.org' will return all packets that go to and from coursera.org. You can see that tcpdump will stay listening until coursera.org is searched.

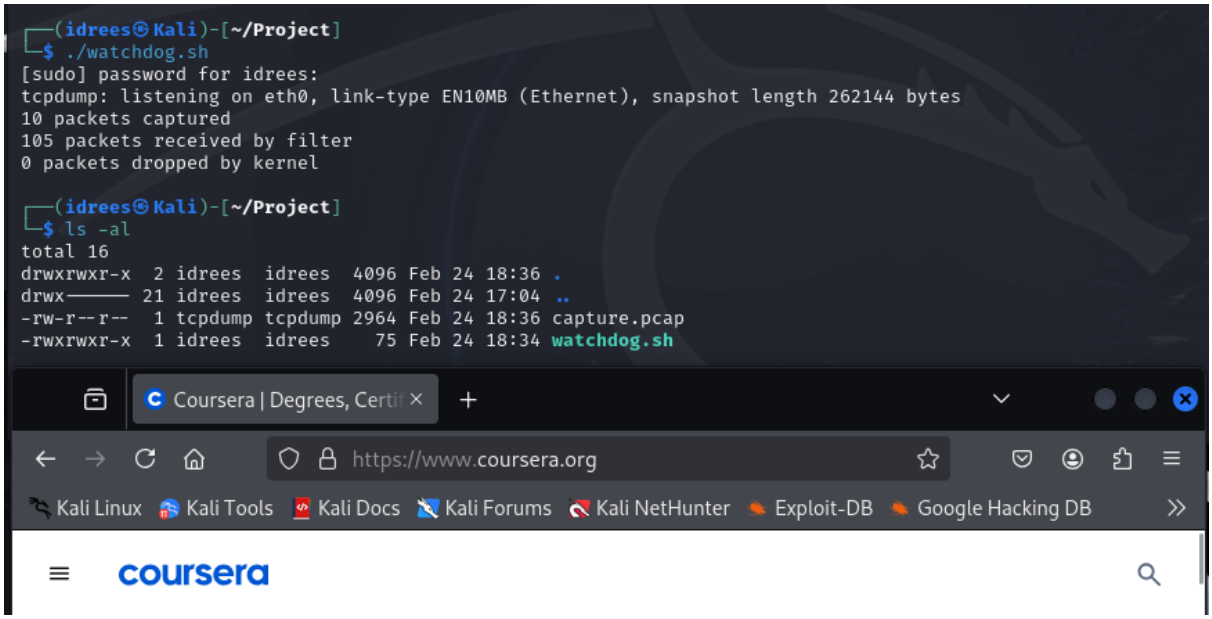
3. Create the logging script and paste the command used in step 2 within VScode. When we run the script, it will execute that command



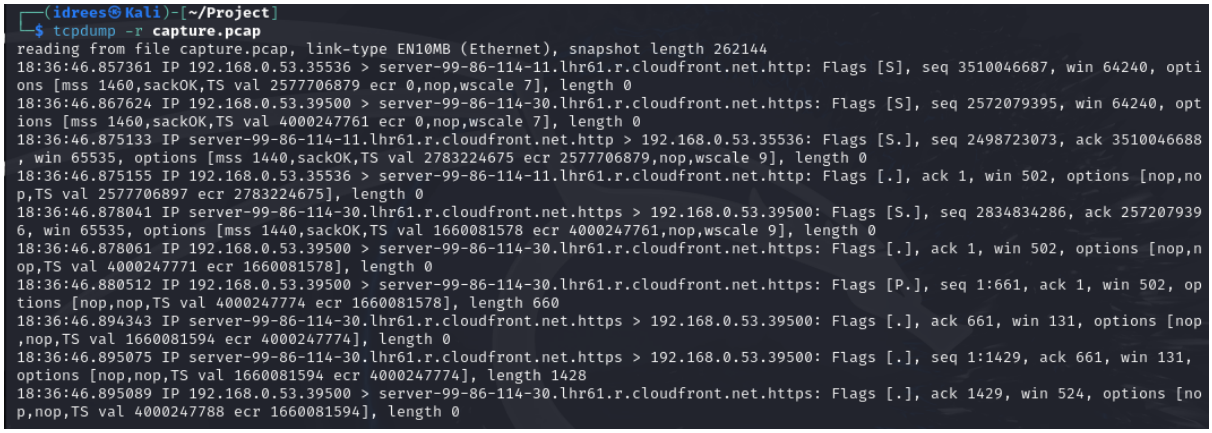


Task 3: Save Captured Packets in a Dump File

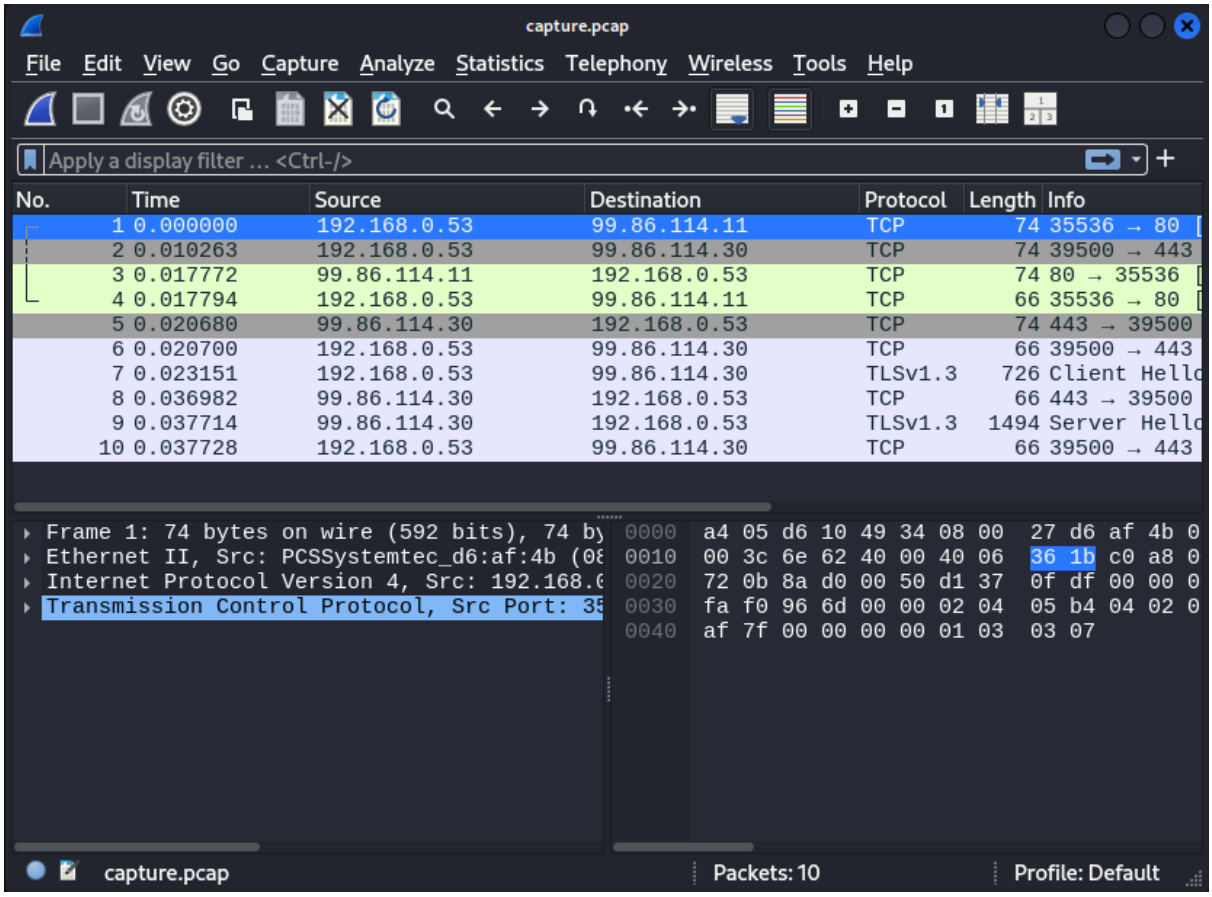
1. Record the results into a tcpdump capture file.



NOTE: When we run the file, we record all traffic from coursera.org and record it into the file capture.pcap. Important to allow write permissions for the file. The file stores the data in binary so we cannot read it. However, we can use tcpdump to read it. You can apply the same formatting flags mentioned before (-#).



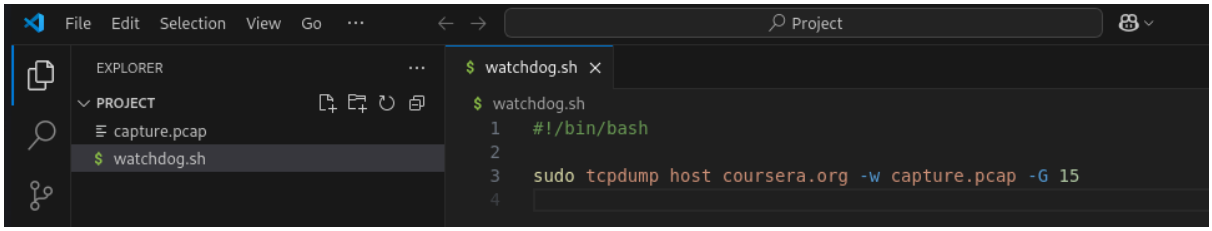
2. Use Wireshark to also view the tcpdump capture file.



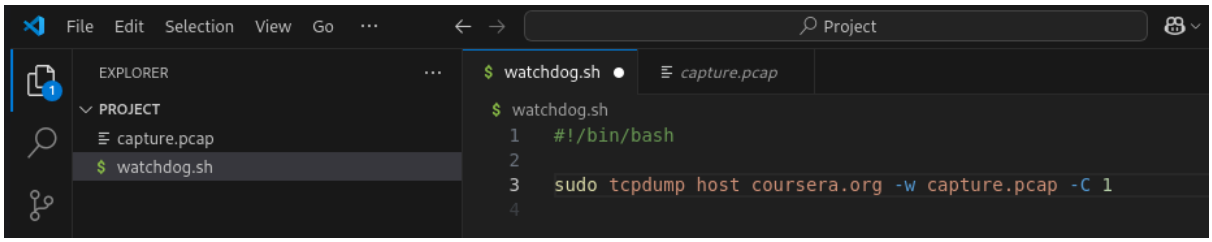
NOTE: On the bottom of the Wireshark window, it will format the packet in the TCP protocol. It will present it in a form that you can read.

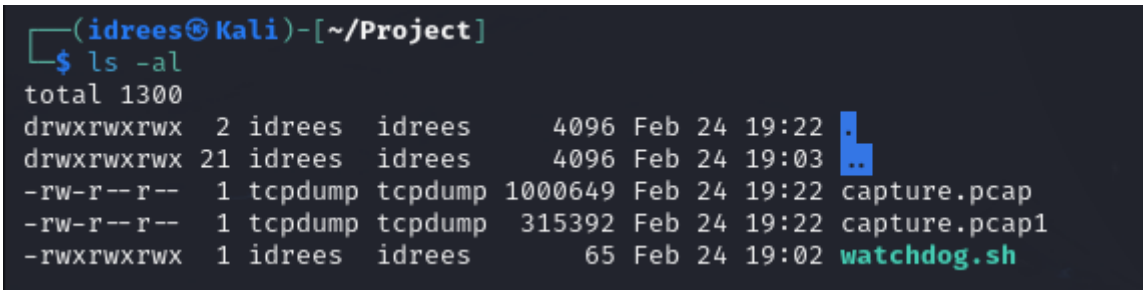
Task 4: Create Sequenced Dump Files

1. Write a new script that will wipe out the capture file every 15 seconds and write a new one.



2. Set a size limit of 1mb, once the limit is met it will create a new file.

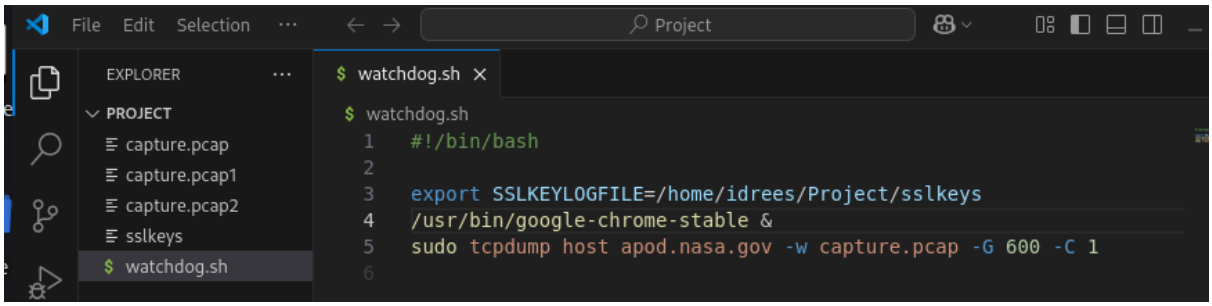




NOTE: We can see when capture.pcap exceeds a file size of 1000000, all data packets captured are stored in capture.pcap1. You can now combine both conditions the time limit and the file size together. This means you do not have to deal with one big file.

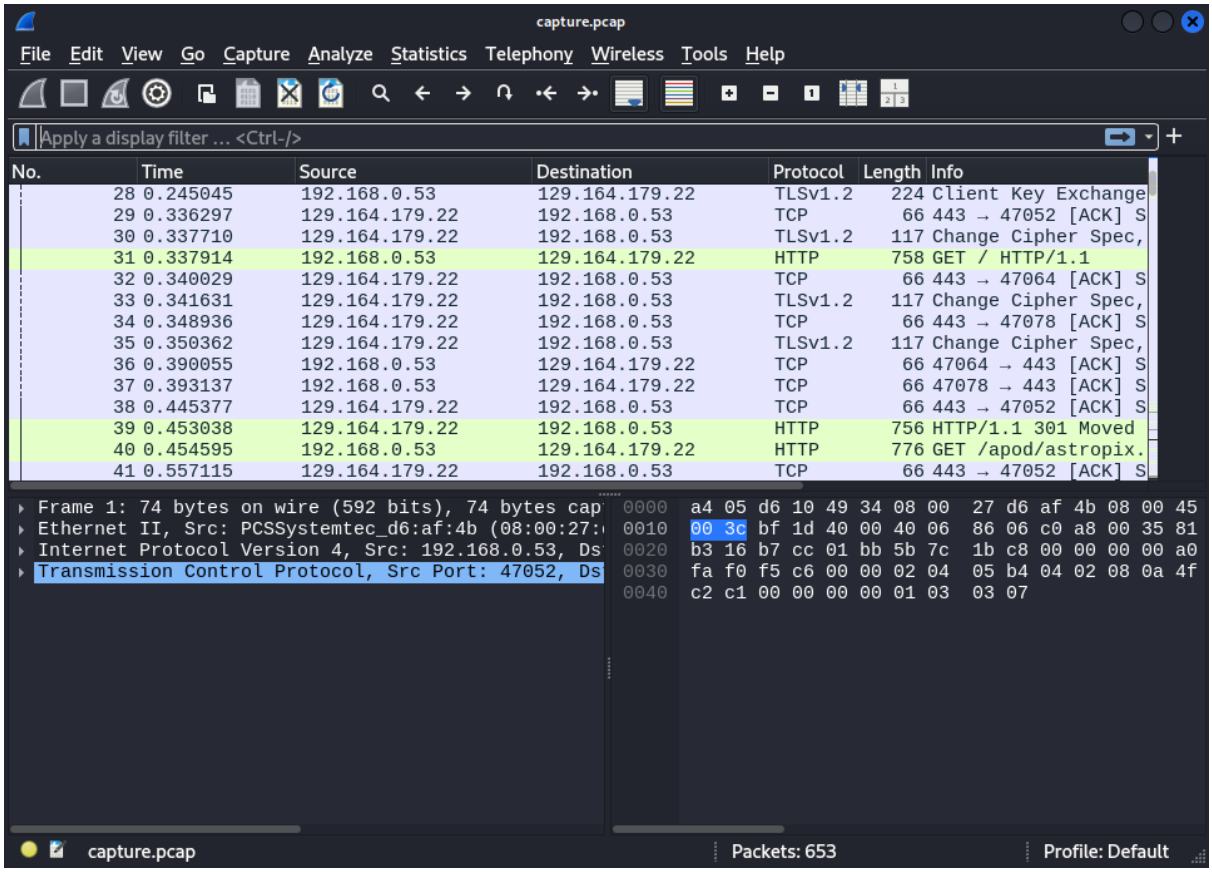
Task 5: Decrypt and Analyse Captured Traffic

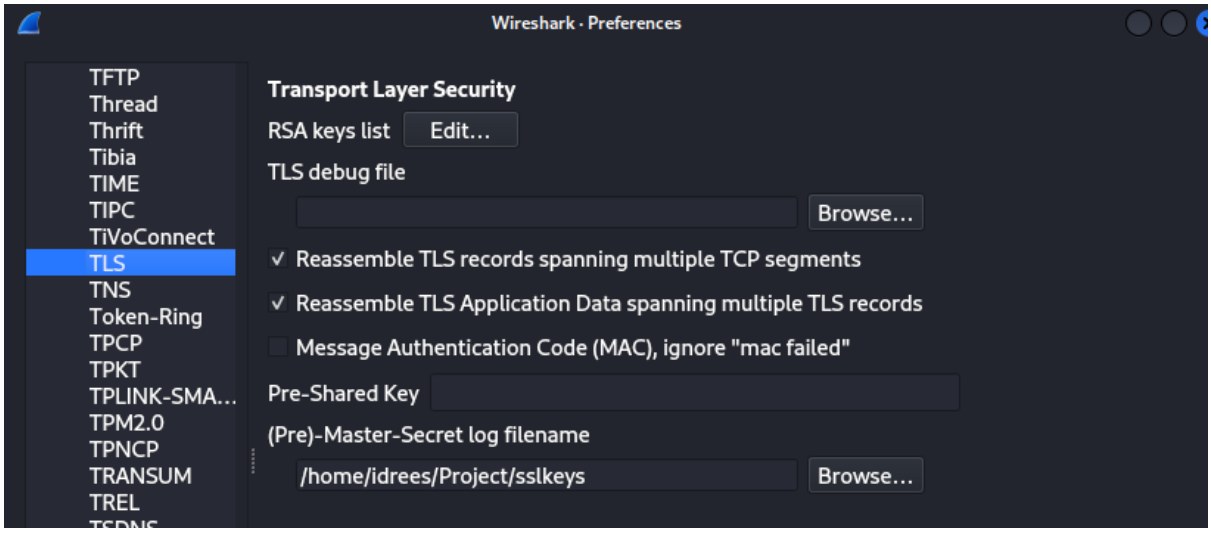
1. Write a new script to capture the public and the private key from the browser. TCP dump will capture the encrypted data



NOTE: This script sets an environment variable SSLKEYLOGFILE that Google Chrome will use log TLS/SSL sessions keys. We will run google chrome, so that it will write SSL/TLS keys to the specified file as it establishes secure connections and run tcpdump to capture traffic to/from the apos.nasa.gov website.

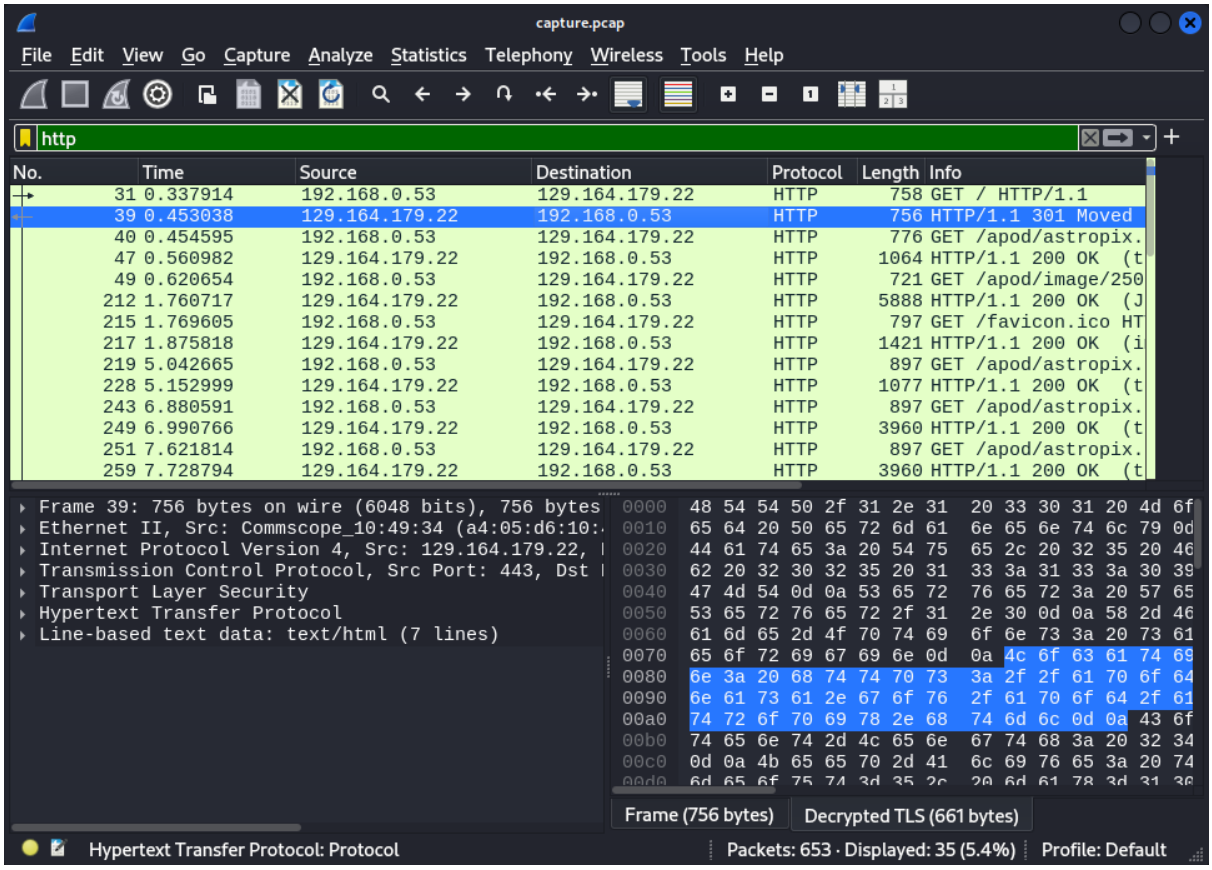
2. Use Wireshark to recreate the original unencrypted data





NOTE: Opening the capture.pcap file and entering the sslkeys file into the Master-Secret log filename, we can view decrypted data in Wireshark (highlighted green).

3. Filter all http packets



NOTE: We can now see all the decrypted data. Wireshark does this for us and we can see it on the bottom right.